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TO AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GB

SUBJECT:PRE-LICENSE CHECK FOR EXPORT LICENSE REQUESTS

1. THREE APPLICATIONS HAVE RECENTLY BEEN RECEIVED FROM CESSNA AIRCRAFT COMPANY FOR EXPORT LICENSES FOR VARIOUS TYPES OF AIRCRAFT. THESE APPLICATIONS ARE BEING REVIEWED AS PART OF SURVEILLANCE PROCEDURES INSTITUTED REGARDING AIRCRAFT EXPORT LICENSE REQUESTS FOR GABON.

2. CASE NO. 120836 LISTS AIR SERVICE DE LIBREVILLE AS CONSIGNEE. REQUEST IS FOR DOLS 781,335 CESSNA CITATION (JET). END USE STATEMENT READS QUOTE FOR BUSINESS AND PLEASURE END QUOTE.

3. CASE NO 120837 LISTS AVIONS HELICOPTERES, AS CONSIGNEE FOR ONE PERSONAL UTILITY AIRCRAFT VALUED AT DOLS 105,000. END USE STATEMENT READS QUOTE FOR AUTHORIZED DISTRIBUTOR IN GABON PURCHASING AIRCRAFT FOR DEMONSTRATION AND RESALE END QUOTE.

4. CASE NO 119558 LISTS AIR SERVICE DE LIBREVILLE AS CONSIGNEE. REQUEST IS FOR 50 REPEAT 50 AIRCRAFT VALUED
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AT APPROXIMATELY DOLS ONE MILLION. END USE STATEMENT IS SAME AS IN PARA 3.

5. AS PART OF ROUTINE PRE-LICENSE CHECK AND IN VIEW OF

QUESTIONS RAISED REGARDING ABILITY OF GABONESE MARKET
ABSORB NUMBER OF CESSNAS PURCHASED DURING PAST YEAR, DE-
PARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS ON BONA FIDES
OF THESE REQUESTS. ANY FURTHER INFORMATION WHICH CAN BE
PROVIDED ABOUT AIR SERVICE DE LIBREVILLE AND AVIONS
HELICOPTERES WOULD BE HELPFUL.

6. FYI: LIGHT AIRCRAFT ARE USED IN RHODESIAN SECURITY
FORCES SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES. CESSNA IS AWARE OF CURRENT
REVIEW OF AIRCRAFT REQUESTS FOR GABON AND HAS OFFERED FULL
COOPERATION OBTAIN ADDITIONAL END USE INFORMATION. COM-
PANY REPRESENTATIVES PLAN TO VISIT LIBREVILLE NEXT WEEK
AND PERHAPS AT THAT TIME WILL BE ABLE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT
NATURE OF AIRCRAFT SALES.
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